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"METHOD AND DEVICE FOR FAST PROCESSING OF

MEASUREMENT DATA WITH A PLURALITY OF

INDEPENDENT RANDOM SAMPLES"

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SIR:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicant requests that citation and examination of the following documents be made during the course of examination of the above-referenced application.

AT "Simultaneous Registration and Activation Detection for fMRI," Orchard et al., Magnetic Resonance in Medicine (online), April 2002

AU "Real-Time Multiple Linear Regression for fMRI Supported by Time-Aware Acquisition and Processing," Smyser et al., Magnetic Resonance in Medicine, Vol. 45, No. 2 (2001) pages 289-298

EXPLANATION OF RELEVANCE

The above references were cited by the German Patent and Trademark Office in connection with examination of the counterpart German application.

Copies of each of the above references together with Form 1449 are submitted herewith.

The PTO did not receive the following listed Items(s)

As of the date of mailing of this Information Disclosure Statement, a first Office Action on the merits has not been received in connection with this application, and therefore, this Information Disclosure Statement is in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b)(3), and no fee is necessary.

Should this Information Disclosure Statement cross in the mail with a first Office Action, it is still in compliance with 37 C.F.R.§ 1.97(c), and no fee is necessary. Accordingly, the undersigned counsel states, pursuant to 37 C.F.R.§ 1.97(e)(1), that each of the above references was first cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in connection with a foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this information disclosure statement.

All claims of the application are submitted to be patentable over the teachings of the above references, taken singly or in combination, or in combination with any of the other previously submitted references. Early consideration of the application is therefore respectfully requested.

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